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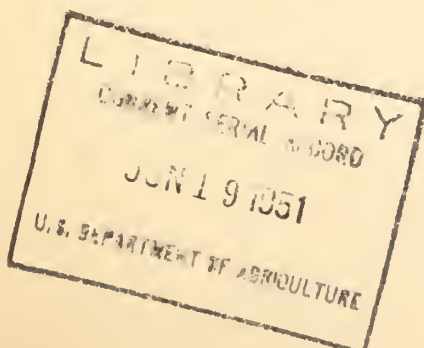
Re: Personnel Changes

TO ALL RANKING FIELD OFFICERS:

Effective July 1, 1951, A. E. Jones, Chief of Operations, has been reassigned, at his own request, to the position of Regional Research Representative with headquarters at Lincoln, Nebraska. This is an important assignment (similar to the positions set up last year in Regions 2 and 1), designed to help Research meet more adequately the needs of the Operations program and to help Operations make more effective use of the research information available. Jones' wide knowledge of and experience in practical agriculture and conditions under which work is performed, coupled with his keen appreciation of the ability of farmers and ranchers to carry out conservation operations have been important aids in formulating plans for Service activities. In addition, his more than nine years' full participation in the entire program of the Service as Chief of Operations, his thorough knowledge of the research institutions in his territory make him eminently qualified for this new post. For that reason, I acceded to his request. I am sure he will make an outstanding contribution to the Service program in the setting provided in this assignment.

The position of Chief of Operations in the Washington office will be filled, effective July 1, 1951, by the transfer of Donald A. Williams (formerly of Region 7) from the Land and Water Resources Staff of the Secretary, where he has been assigned for a little over a year. Prior to that assignment, he served with the Soil Conservation Service practically continuously since the beginning of the Service. His training in the Service has covered a wide range of our field operating jobs, including Camp Superintendent, project engineer, staff irrigation engineer, Regional Chief of Water Conservation, and Assistant Regional Director.

Both Jones and Williams have come up from the "grass-roots" phase of the program to positions of broad responsibility.

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